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File No: LA0120065

AI No: 124334

Activity No: PER20060002

Mr. Neal Roberts
Big "R" Towing, Inc.
7733 Highway 87
Jeanerette, LA 70544

RE: Draft Major Modification of Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) permit LA0120065 effective on April 1, 2005 for Big R Towing Inc.

Dear Mr. Roberts:

Your request regarding the minor modification of LPDES permit LA0120065 submitted on behalf of Big "R" Towing, Inc. has been received and evaluated. The draft modification(s) are as follows:

1. Outfall 002 (discharge of coal and coke barge washwater) has been added.
2. A Part II condition (Section S) has been added as a result to the addition of Outfall 002
3. The commodity list (Attachment 1) has been updated to include additional commodities.

Attached are the draft revision(s) to the Effluent Limitations page(s) (page(s) modified 2A of 2, Part I) and (modified page 8 of 8, Part II) for Outfall 002, and the modified Title Page for the requested modification(s). Please note that this is a DRAFT MODIFICATION only. Authorization to change your discharge will be granted only upon the receipt of an approved modification from this Office. All other conditions of the permit LA0120065 shall continue unchanged and remain valid until the expiration date of the permit. In accordance with LAC 33:IX.3105.B.2, only those permit limitations and conditions pertaining to the draft modification(s) are open for public comment.

This Office will publish the enclosed public notice one time in a local newspaper of general circulation and the Office of Environmental Services Public Notice Mailing List. In accordance with LAC 33:IX.6521.A, the applicant shall receive and is responsible for paying the invoice(s) from the above mentioned newspaper. LAC 33:IX.6521.A states: "...The costs of publication shall be borne by the applicant."

The invoice, fee rating sheets, and a copy of the fee regulations will be sent under a separate cover letter as applicable. A copy of the Louisiana Water Quality Regulations may be obtained from the DEQ Office of Environmental Assessment, Post Office Box 4314, Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4314, (225) 219-3236.

ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

: PO BOX 4313, BATON ROUGE, LA 70821-4313

P:225-219-3181 F:225-219-3309

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Pursuant to LAC 33.IX.1309.I, LAC 33.IX.6509.A.1 and LAC 33.I.1701, you must pay any outstanding fees to the Department. Therefore, you are encouraged to verify your facility's fee status by contacting LDEQ's Office of Management and Finance, Financial Services Division at (225) 219-3863. Failure to pay in the manner and time prescribed could result in applicable enforcement actions as prescribed in the Environmental Quality Act, including, but not limited to revocation or suspension of the applicable permit, and/or assessment of a civil penalty against you.

Should you have any further questions concerning this draft modification please feel free to Jeffrey C. Ratcliff, Office of Environmental Services, at (225) 219- 3093. All future correspondence regarding this permit shall use the Agency Interest (AI) number 124334 and LPDES permit number LA0120065.

Sincerely,



Jesse Chang
Environmental Scientist Manager
Industrial Water Permits

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c: cover letter only:

Mr. Scott Guilliams
Water and Waste Permits

Ms. Gayle Denino
Office of Management & Finance

c: cover letter and final permit (I-II):

PCU Coordinator
Office of Environmental Compliance

c: cover letter, final permit, and all attachments:

Jeffrey C. Ratcliff
Water and Waste Permits

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Public Notice Scheduled for Publication

The notice associated with the following:

**Re: Request for Public Comment on a Draft Modification
of a Water Discharge Permit
Big "R" Towing, Inc.
Agency Interest (AI) No. 124334, LA0120065, PER20060002**

is scheduled to publish in the following paper (s)

Newspaper(s)	Scheduled Publication Date*
The Daily Iberian, of New Iberia, LA and The St. Mary & Franklin Banner-Tribune, of Franklin, LA	Wednesday, April 5, 2006

In accordance with LAC 33:IX.6521.A, the applicant is responsible for payment of all costs of publication. Newspapers will bill applicant directly. Questions regarding publication or payment may be directed to:

DEQ Office of Environmental Services, Public Participation Group Staff:

Name: Calvin Fair

Phone: 225-219-3283

Email: Calvin.Fair@LA.GOV

Comments:

***Actual date of publication is pending confirmation of publication by newspaper(s)**

PUBLIC NOTICE
LOUISIANA DEPARTMENT OF ENVIRONMENTAL QUALITY (LDEQ)
BIG "R" TOWING, INC.
DRAFT MODIFICATION OF A WATER DISCHARGE PERMIT

The LDEQ, Office of Environmental Services, is accepting written comments on a draft modification of a Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System (LPDES) permit prepared for Big "R" Towing, Inc., 7733 Hwy 87, Jeanerette, Louisiana 70544. The facility is located **at Avery Island and the Port of Iberia in Iberia Parish and in Baldwin, St. Mary Parish.**

This permit is being modified to include permit coverage for the discharge of coal and coke barge wash water at the existing permitted locations and to include additional dry commodities to the permitted dry commodity list. In accordance with LAC 33:IX.3105.B.2, only those permit limitations and conditions pertaining to the draft modification are open to public comment.

The principal discharge from this existing source is made into Bayou Petite Anse (Avery Island location), the New Iberia Southern Drainage Canal (Port of Iberia location), and the Charenton Canal (Baldwin location), waters of the state classified for primary contact recreation, secondary contact recreation, and propagation of fish and wildlife. Under the SIC Codes 4491 and 3731, the applicant proposes to discharge dry commodity and coal and coke barge wash water in association with a barge cleaning facility.

During the preparation of this permit, it has been determined that the discharge will have no adverse impact on the existing uses of the receiving waterbody. As with any discharge, however, some change in existing water quality may occur.

Written comments, written requests for a public hearing or written requests for notification of the final decision regarding this permit action may be submitted to Ms. Soumaya Ghosn at LDEQ, Public Participation Group, P.O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313. **Written comments and/or written requests must be received by 12:30 p.m., Monday, May 8, 2006.** Written comments will be considered prior to a final permit decision.

If LDEQ finds a significant degree of public interest, a public hearing will be held. LDEQ will send notification of the final permit decision to the applicant and to each person who has submitted written comments or a written request for notification of the final decision.

The application, draft modification permit, and statement of basis are available for review at the LDEQ, Public Records Center, Room 127, 602 North 5th Street, Baton Rouge, LA. Viewing hours are from 8:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m., Monday through Friday (except holidays).

Inquiries or requests for additional information regarding this permit action should be directed to Jeffrey C. Ratcliff, LDEQ, Water & Waste Permits Division, P.O. Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313, phone (225) 219-3093.

Persons wishing to be included on the LDEQ permit public notice mailing list or for other public participation related questions should contact the Public Participation Group in writing at LDEQ, P.O.

Box 4313, Baton Rouge, LA 70821-4313, by email at maillistrequest@ldeq.org or contact the LDEQ Customer Service Center at (225) 219-LDEQ (219-5337).

Permit public notices including electronic access to the draft permit and statement of basis can be viewed at the LDEQ permits public notice webpage at www.deq.state.la.us/news/PubNotice/ and general information related to the public participation in permitting activities can be viewed at www.deq.louisiana.gov/portal/tabid/2198/Default.aspx.

Alternatively, individuals may elect to receive the permit public notices via email by subscribing to the LDEQ permits public notice List Server at http://www.state.la.us/ldbc/listservpage/ldeq_pn_listserv.htm.

All correspondence should specify AI Number 124334, Permit Number LA0120065, and Activity Number PER20060002.

Publication Date: April 5, 2006

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PERMIT NUMBER
LA0120065
AI No. 124334

OFFICE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SERVICES

Water Discharge Permit

Pursuant to the Clean Water Act, as amended (33 U.S.C. 1251 et seq.), and the Louisiana Environmental Quality Act, as amended (La. R. S. 30:2001 et seq.), rules and regulations effective or promulgated under the authority of said Acts, and in reliance on statements and representations heretofore made in the application, a Louisiana Pollutant Discharge Elimination System permit is issued authorizing

Big "R" Towing, Inc.
7733 Highway 87
Jeanerette, Louisiana 70544

Type Facility: mobile barge cleaning facility

Location: Avery Island and Port of Iberia, Iberia Parish
Baldwin, St. Mary Parish

Receiving Waters: Bayou Petite (Avery Island location)
New Iberia Southern Drainage Canal (Port of Iberia location)
Cherenton Canal (Baldwin location)

to discharge in accordance with effluent limitations, monitoring requirements, and other conditions set forth in Parts I, II, and III attached hereto.

This permit and the authorization to discharge were effective on April 1, 2005, and shall expire five (5) years from the original effective date of the permit.

This permit has not been previously modified.

This modification shall become effective on _____

Issued on _____

Chuck Carr Brown, Ph.D.
Assistant Secretary

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PART I

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Draft Permit No.: LA020065
AI No.: 124334

EFFLUENT LIMITATIONS AND MONITORING REQUIREMENTS

During the period beginning the effective date and lasting through the expiration date the permittee is authorized to discharge from:

Outfall 002, the discharge of coal and coke wash water

Such discharges shall be limited and monitored by the permittee as specified below:

POLLUTANT	LIMITATION Units (Specify)			MONITORING REQUIREMENTS	
	STORET CODE	MONTH AVERAGE	DAILY MAXIMUM	MEASUREMENT FREQUENCY	SAMPLE TYPE
Flow (GPD)	50050	Report	Report	1/week	Estimate
TSS	00530	---	Report	1/month	Grab
COD	00340	250 mg/L	400 mg/L	1/week	Grab
pH -Allowable Range (standard units) ¹	00400	6.0 Minimum	9.0 Maximum	1/week	Grab

There shall be no discharge of floating solids or visible foam in other than trace amounts.

Only wash water from barges that contain the materials specifically listed in Attachment 1 may be discharged from Outfall 002. No other wash water from any other source and/or containing any other materials shall be discharged without prior written approval of the Permits Division. This approval may require a permit modification.

See Part II, Paragraphs J, K, L, M, N, and S

Samples taken in compliance with the monitoring requirements specified above shall be taken at the following location(s):

Outfall 002, at the point of discharge from the barge prior to mixing with other waters.

FOOTNOTE(S):

- (1) The permittee shall report on the Discharge Monitoring Reports both the minimum and maximum instantaneous pH values measured.

PART II

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OTHER REQUIREMENTS

In accordance with LAC 33:IX.2503.B, DMRs must be signed and certified by an authorized person. Discharge Monitoring Reports and all other reports required by this Office shall be submitted to the Permit Compliance Unit (originals), and the appropriate regional office (copies) at the following addresses:

Department of Environmental Quality
Office of Environmental Compliance
Enforcement Division
ATTN: Permit Compliance Unit
Post Office Box 4312
Baton Rouge, Louisiana 70821-4312

Acadiana Regional Office
Office of Environmental Compliance/Surveillance Division
111 New Center Drive
Lafayette, Louisiana 70508

- S. Coal Barges: The discharge of rainwater from barges that contained coal is considered contaminated and must be discharged by way of the appropriate treatment system.

ATTACHMENT 1

Outfall 001 - Dry commodities

Grain products
Salt
Barite
Sugar and Glucose Products
Aggregate
Lime
Steel Pipe
Iron Ore
Logs
Pig Iron
Bark
Stone
Scrap Metal
Slag
Gravel
Gypsum
Iron Oxide
Wire Rods
Wood Products

Outfall 002 – Coal and Coke

Coal
Petroleum Coke
